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Rain Falls On the Mighty Funeral of J. C. Wilson.

Three Thousand People in the Funeral Cortege.

HEAP FLOWERS HIGH.

Friends Send Magnificent Floral Pieces.

A Miniature State House of Roses Four Feet High

AMONG THE TRIBUTES.

A Marching Column of Men a Mile Long

Precedes the Hearse on the Sixth Street March.

DR. McCABE'S ADDRESS

An Eloquent Oration, Touching but Inspiring.

Thousands of Spectators Watch the Procession Pass.

The people of Topeka turned out yesterday to honor the memory of Joseph C. Wilson. At least 3,000 men stood in the rain and shivered in the cold for the sake of marching in the funeral procession; while hundreds of carriages crowded Topeka avenue for blocks. It is seldom in the life of a generation that such an imposing funeral is witnessed. People of every class and station of life were there.

Some one who knew Mr. Wilson's sentiments placed the Santa Fe shop men at the head of the procession. It is a well known fact that the welfare of the men who work in the shops was Mr. Wilson's first consideration, and it was he that insisted that the force should be increased. They have in truth lost a friend. It is said that not a shop man failed to turn out.

The body lay in state in the front parlor of the family residence, at 516 Topeka avenue, all morning. Hundreds called to take a last look at the face of the dead. He lay in a bower of flowers with a placid expression on his face. All around him were beautiful even magnificent floral offerings. They were arranged in the drawing room with white and pink roses gleaming through the tender freshness of green twining asparagus. No sign of death was present, save the casket, upon which rested a pillow of La France and Dijon roses, above the silent form.

Dr. Kate and Helen Adams sent a cross of pink and white roses interwoven with sprays of green, in remembrance of many kindnesses.

A miniature representation of the state house, four feet in height and of a proportionate circumference was sent by the state house officials. The dome was of white tea roses, floating a miniature flag. Windows of isinglass shone out from the main building, which was built of teliotrope and pink roses. W. H. Rossington, George R. Peck, Charles Blood Smith, E. D. Kenna and Robert Dunlap gave a large emblem known as the "Gates Ajar." The design was five feet in height, resting on a base of carnations. On posts of tea roses swung two gates of pink carnations and tuberoses, surmounted with an arch of pale tea roses.

Representative of the sundered thread of life, a number of the Chicago friends and Santa Fe officials contributed a bent axle and broken car wheel. The wheel was built of the size of a regulation car wheel of white and yellow roses interwoven with twining asparagus. The hub was of pink roses and the bent axle of pink and white carnations.

The A. O. U. W. lodge, of which Mr. Wilson, in life, was a member, presented a shield, representative of the order, two feet in height of a pink and white roses, with anchor of tea roses.

The Santa Fe offices sent two testimonials. A standing cross of white roses, four feet tall, surmounted by a white dove and crown, resting on a base of roses. The other design being a large pillow of roses with the letters of purple velvet on a green field: "To Our Friend, A. T. & S. F. R. R."

Another pretty design by the Topeka club was an arch of cream roses with a pendant heart and star of carnations and tube roses with base of smilax roses and twining asparagus.

Richard Hodgins sent an Italian type of different colored roses.

Mrs. Charles Blood Smith, Mrs. J. D. Taylor, the employees of the Topeka club, Mrs. J. B. Johnson and many others sent baskets of La France and Dijon roses. It was Mrs. Wilson's wish that the services should be held at the house, and for that reason only the most intimate friends and relatives were able to be present at the services, although these tested the capacity of the house. The services were simple and very short. While they were being held long lines of waiting men were stretched almost as far as the eye could reach either way. The cold rain driched them and the biting wind almost congealed their blood, but still they waited their time to take up the solemn march to the cemetery.

Judge J. B. Johnson and James L. King had charge of the arrangements, and they made no mistake. It is seldom that such a large funeral in inclement weather passes off without a hitch, and to those gentlemen, with Major T. J. Anderson and C. M. Atwood, is due the fact that this was an exception.

when the venerable Dr. F. S. McCabe took his place near the head of the coffin. As he entered the room he gazed earnestly on the face of the man, who, with him, was one of the early residents of Topeka.

In the room around the coffin were the family, pall bearers and nearest friends. Next to Dr. McCabe sat George F. Sharitt, with whom Mr. Wilson was associated in the United States court; next to him was Mr. A. A. Hurd of the Santa Fe, then Eugene Hagman, W. C. Perry, Hiram P. Dillon, Charles Blood Smith, his intimate friends in the Topeka club, J. J. Frey of the Santa Fe and James L. King were the other two active pall bearers and they were seated near the foot of the coffin. The honora-

dor. I speak to you as business men, of all professions, vocations and pursuits. With some of you, especially with some most closely associated with him, God dealt very liberally, as regards the powers and opportunities bestowed upon you. I should be unfaithful to him who lies here, to his friend, myself, to his friends, yourselves, with hearts made tender by this sorrow, to him in whose presence he now stands, if I did not remind you that, by virtue of these exceptional powers and opportunities, you are made the colleagues of God. With the frankness and endearment of comradeship, and brotherhood, I beseech you that you see to it that you use wisely and faithfully the franchise of power which God has bestowed on you.



THE LATE JOSEPH C. WILSON.

ry pall bearers who were present were seated in the following order: O. B. Taylor of Leavenworth, Major Calvin Hood of Emporia, Judge C. G. Foster, George R. Peck, and W. H. Rossington. Often while Dr. McCabe was speaking tears trembled on the eye lashes of these men who had long known Mr. Wilson in his daily life. Judge W. A. Johnston and A. H. Horton were both called away, and they were the only two pallbearers who were not present.

The music was furnished by a quartette composed of Mr. James Moore and H. L. Shiner and Mrs. L. S. Perry and Mrs. George H. Parkhurst. Miss Madge Johnson played the piano accompaniment.

Dr. McCabe opened the services by reading the apostle's creed.

The choir then sang a hymn and this was followed by a beautiful and impressive solo by Mr. James Moore entitled, "Friend."

Dr. McCabe then delivered the funeral oration. At first his voice was weak and faltering, but as he spoke it grew stronger until he could be distinctly heard in every part of the house. He said:

"The very facts that in the judgment of some many seem to qualify me to conduct these services yet in truth tend to work my disqualification.

"Long association, intimate acquaintance, personal friendship; these things, indeed, bring me into full sympathy with this occasion of surprise and sorrow, but as I gaze on that pale face, endeared to us by so many precious memories, as I behold living memories, a combination and a form indeed, where every good deed seems to set his seal to give the world assurance of a man, and as I remember that he was my dearest friend for twenty-five years, I cry aloud, who shall speak to me words of consolation in my grief.

"The commonplace of the funeral oration would be intolerable here and now. In this presence, elegance of rhetoric is impertinent. Nothing moves me as does the thought of the aged and venerable mother, in her dumb grief, and the presence of the wife and children in their voiceless agony. Here God speaks; and we bow our heads in silence.

"Yesterday the record as to our friend was, he lives. In a moment he died, and made no sign. Today the record is, he lives forever.

"To disparture life is to disparture both ourselves and God. Life is valuable to us chiefly on account of its leverage on eternity. We now live, a day any man doubts and denies our continued existence, the burden of proof is on him.

"One of our own countrymen, himself an epitome of humanity, has said: 'Every man hears in his own breast the drum beat of eternity.' With us that which requires education is not belief in continued existence, but unbelief. Belief in immortality is instinctive. We believe in another life; we expect it, as naturally and inevitably as we expect tomorrow. God has taken care of that. Life is valuable on account of what we may do in it, and of what we may become. We think today gratefully of the efficient and valuable life of our friend as a senator, as an officer of the United States District court, as mayor of this city, as an official in a great railroad, and we cheerfully bear record to his fine abilities and attainments as a business man. We testify to his faithful fidelity in the performance of his grave duties. We think also of those personal and social qualities which endeared him to us, in association and comradeship. We are thankful for all that was helpful and beneficent in his career as a citizen and as a man.

"In undissembled grief, representing this city, and all portions of this state, and identified with their history, and their interests in all departments, we lament the withdrawal from us of his genial and useful life.

"Speaking as I do today, to those with many of whom I have been closely associated, as I was with him for a life time, I cannot speak otherwise than with absolute con-

"His judicial treatment of you will not be severe, implacable, but lenient and generous, for he knew our frame, he remembered that we are dust, yet he will require an account of the talents entrusted to you. I speak not only to those high in authority, but equally to working men of all classes and conditions. For he came from me to forget that our Lord, whose words comfort and cheer us today, was himself a working man. His mother, on the night of her death, found that there was no room for her in the inn, and she sought refuge in a manger. The crowd who surrounded him as he was crucified, looked upon a dying man whose hands were blackened and blistered by work. The comfort and life of Christianity are equally for all; for the poorest, as well as the rich; for the weakest as well as the strongest."

"It has been our purpose that these services should be marked by that freedom from ostentation which characterized the life and habits of Mr. Wilson, and which was in keeping with the tenets and practices of those most worthy Christian people among whom he was reared.

"There is but one sentiment among those who knew Mr. Wilson, that of grief on account of his sudden death in the midst of important work, and of deep and genuine sympathy with his family in their bereavement. This feeling is shared by thousands here and elsewhere, who are not able to join in these services.

"To those in connection with the railroad, in whose service Mr. Wilson spent the last portion of his life, I express the conviction of us all that in his death the state and the country at large have suffered a serious loss.

"To you, who are the chief mourners here, his revered mother, and his stricken wife and your dear children, his brother, I tenderly suggest that if this be of necessity a service of sorrow, because it is a service of remembrance, it is also a service of joy, since it is also a service of hope and of anticipation.

"We are thinking not only of the past, and the present with their sorrow and tears, but of the future bright and fideless glory. Believe me, my dear friends, this is a Christian service, pulsating with the throbs of Christian love and radiant with the splendors of eternity.

"We separate now; we shall meet again, as heretofore, some summer morning. We, the wisest of us all, are but infants crying in the night, infants crying for the light, with no language but a cry. Christ alone speaks to us words that fling light into the darkness and sorrow of our souls. He that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

"To thee, O Christ, we lift our hearts as in cry. So long thy power hath been sure, surely still we will lead on! Through dreary night, through pain and sorrow we will go on.

The night is gone, and with the morning breeze, faces smile, when I have loved long since and lost awhile."

At the close of Dr. McCabe's address the choir sang the anthem, "I love thee, O Lord, as I hear thee," and as the last strains floated away on the air Marshall's band, which was stationed outside played solemnly and beautifully, as the funeral party left the house. As the pallbearers carried the coffin between the rows of policemen, the men bared their heads in the rain while the solemn procession passed. Mrs. Wilson followed by her son, and her three daughters came next. Then the dead man's mother and brother were conducted to the carriages. Other relatives and friends followed closely.

The procession was very long. Hundreds of people under umbrellas stood on the sidewalks on Sixth street and watched it pass on the way to the cemetery.

The following was the order of the procession:

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe employees on foot.
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe officers in carriages.
A. C. T. W. on foot.
S. A. officers.
Mayor, council and city officers.
Two carriages for active pall bearers.
Carriage, chaplain.
Hearse.

Two carriages, honorary pall bearers, family and neighbors and friends.
The band led the procession to Jefferson street where carriages dropped out and only the carriages continued the way to the cemetery.

When the funeral procession reached the cemetery the flowers were already there. The vault in which the coffin was to be deposited was festooned with evergreen and as it was lowered by the pall bearers, Dr. McCabe read the committal service. The quartette then sang "Hail My Soul and Hail Thy Wings" and the relatives and friends turned away.

GUESTS AT THE FUNERAL.

Prominent Officers of the Santa Fe Who Attended the Obituary.

The special car which brought the prominent railroad officials to attend the funeral of Receiver Wilson arrived at 10 a. m. from Chicago. At 4:30 p. m. it returned. Those who came on the special car were the following:

Aldace F. Walker, receiver; George R. Peck, general counsel, C. & S. F. R. R.; E. D. Kenna, general solicitor, A. T. & S. F. R. R.; Robert Dunlap, assistant to general solicitor; W. F. White, traffic passenger manager; G. W. Nicholson, general passenger agent; W. A. Burroughs, assistant general auditor; C. B. Palmer, secretary to Mr. Walker; E. C. Neill, secretary to Mr. Peck; Major H. L. Morrill, 2nd V. P. & G. M. S. F. R. R.; L. F. Parker, general attorney S. L. & S. F.; Gardner Lathrop, solicitor for Missouri; J. L. McEntire, receiver, W. & W. R. R.

SATURDAY'S DELAY.

For several weeks it has been necessary for the STATE JOURNAL to take apart its press from day to day in the evening and put it together again the next afternoon in time for the printing of its regular editions. This proceeding has been required because of the rebuilding of the press in order to print the enlarged JOURNAL which will be of seven columns to each page instead of six.

Saturday evening an unfortunate delay prevented us from getting the machinery into place again in time.

As a result, our subscribers north on the R-R Island and Santa Fe and west on the Santa Fe failed to receive their JOURNALS on time, and all of the papers to the city subscribers were delayed several hours.

A little forbearance on the part of our readers is asked for a week longer, in case of unavoidable mishaps. We promise by next Monday or Tuesday a larger and better printed paper served promptly and regularly.

COTTON MILL SOLD.

The Mills of It and the Land It Stood On Disposed Of.

The old cotton mill property was sold this morning at sheriff's sale for \$1,000. This was one of Topeka's boom enterprises. The mill was erected at a cost of about \$4,000 on a forty-acre tract on Tenth, just outside the city limits. The mill was never occupied, and after standing unused several years it was burned and all that is left of it now is a big heap of calcined stones.

The Dime Savings bank of New York held a mortgage on the property of \$240, and this was foreclosed. Mary E. Martin was made the defendant.

L. S. Ferry, acting for the plaintiff, bid off the property at \$1,000. There was no one else present who ventured to raise the bid.

Harry E. Valentine bid off the Jonathan Fulford property, just opposite the county jail on Fifth street, for a client, Cory D. Hayes, who held a mortgage on the property. The building is a three-story brick and the lower part is used as a business room and the upper part for living rooms. His bid was \$3,000.

DO SOMETHING FOR HOME.

Let Topeka People Attend the Meeting of the Million Club.

There will be a public meeting of the Shawnee county branch of the Kansas Million club, at the council chamber on Tuesday evening, Sept. 24th, at 8 p. m., to which all citizens interested in the betterment of Topeka and Kansas are invited.

This is a move in the right direction, nothing can tend to counteract the evil reports gone out about this state, better than the work this club has undertaken. Every citizen who has a heart should be enthusiastic in taking this work. Every citizen who has a heart should be enthusiastic in taking this work. Every citizen who has a heart should be enthusiastic in taking this work.

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WILL BE GEN. MILES.

He Will Succeed Gen. Schofield in the Army.

Gen. Schofield Goes On the Retired List Sept. 29.

WILL BE COMMANDER.

Gen. Miles is Not a Graduate of West Point.

But Unquestioned Ability Settles in His Favor.

New York, Sept. 23.—The World says: Lieut. Gen. John McAllister Schofield will retire as commander-in-chief of the army on September 29, and Nelson A. Miles will at once remove to Washington as senior major general in command. There have been rumors that his not being a West Point graduate will be a handicap in obtaining this, the highest rank, but his unquestioned ability and popularity have effectually settled that point in his favor.

Gen. Thomas A. Ruger, who is now in Washington reviewing the army regulations will undoubtedly move to Governor's Island and assume command of the department of the east. This will obviate any further change in department commanders.

TEMPERATURE DROPS.

It Goes Down Forty Degrees at Evansville, Indiana.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 23.—The thermometer has dropped from 99 to 59. The wind shifted from south to north, bringing a heavy rain storm, which still continues at noon.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Sept. 23.—There was a white frost in lowland about Lawrence last night. It did no severe damage.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Sept. 23.—The long spell of heat ended yesterday afternoon with a furious rain in which nearly half an inch of water fell in twenty minutes. The rain was accompanied by heavy winds. The streets are littered with branches and many large trees were blown down.

Several plate glass windows were blown in. The temperature was 94 just before the storm, and in the evening it was 52.

MERRILLAN, Wis., Sept. 23.—The hardest rain and wind storm for several years visited this vicinity yesterday, blowing down trees, fences and telegraph wires.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 23.—Specials to the Star indicate a general frost fell over the southwest last night. At Great Bend, Kans., a heavy frost fell but no damage was done. At Axtell, a much needed rain which fell yesterday was followed by a heavy frost last night.

The cold wave struck Clinton, Mo., and vicinity late yesterday afternoon, the thermometer falling 43 degrees in four hours, and was followed by frost at night. In Oklahoma the earliest frost ever known there was experienced. Nothing was damaged except kafir corn and cane.

NO CLUBS THIS TIME.

Arrests Made in "Little Russia" Without Hitting Any of the Women.

John Schmidt and his family are Russians who leave this afternoon with the party returning to Russia. They gave a farewell party at their home at 80 North Monroe street last night. About thirty friends attended and the evening was spent in games and social enjoyment.

During the evening John happened to think that his brother Adam, who was present, owed him something over \$20 for his passage to this country. He asked Adam for the money. In a moment guests and all were hitting out from the shower.

Officer Aye appeared on the scene as Pochontas and saved John Smith from the wrath of Adam by holding fast to the latter. All the women in the crowd tried to pull Aye's prisoner away, but the officer did not use his club nor strike them with his fist.

Adam was really the worse used of the two. He swore out a warrant charging his brother with assault and John was arrested this morning. Each put up \$10 for his appearance (which was rather undisciplined). John will probably forfeit his \$10 rather than say over another day and let the party go back to Russia without him.

Drinks in Police Court.

"Buck" Sawyer, colored, was so drunk last night when he lay down in the transfer station that the transfer men could not wake him up when bed time came. Officer Parcells went in and said: "Watch for the wagon and tell me when it comes up." At the word "wagon" Sawyer started quickly out of his sleep, but it was too late. He tumbled with the officer awhile and then rode down to the station. He was fined \$5 this morning. J. H. Jenkins, Frank McGhee and George H. Huston were three men arrested Saturday night for drunkenness. Jenkins and Huston forfeited their \$5 appearance money, and McGhee was fined \$5 this morning, after pleading guilty.

F. L. Wells' Case.

F. L. Wells was fined by Judge Furry in police court this morning for disturbing the peace of his wife. They lived at 616 Branner street. The two quarreled Wednesday night in which Wells threatened to kill his wife and children. Mrs. Wells has begun suit for divorce.

Mr. John Weaver, agent of the Santa Fe at Weaver station, was in the city today on business with the company. Mr. Weaver, besides being agent of the town that bears his name, is also postmaster, runs the principal store, and in fact every industry in the place. Mr. Weaver reports that one night last week some one tried to take his life by firing two shots at him. The bullets whizzed by his head. He doesn't know who his assailant was.

Dr. Morris Nelson is ill. Dr. Willis S. Sorensen of 1318 Fillmore, is dangerously sick with diphtheria and not expected to live. Dr. Sorensen is a partner of Dr. J. C. McClintock.

CHALLENGE FOR THE CUP.

Charles Day Rose Has Decided Upon an Unconditional Challenge.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—J. M. Soper, the yacht designer, came to London today and had a conference with Charles Day Rose regarding the details of the challenge for the America's cup. It was agreed to communicate with the secretary of the Royal Victoria Yacht club, who will cable to the New York Yacht club as follows:

"With formal challenge, my challenge will read: In behalf of the Royal Victoria Yacht club and in the name of C. D. Rose, a member, the challenge to sail a series of races for the America's cup, against any yacht, or vessel built in the United States. The following are the particulars:

"Challenger's owner, C. D. Rose; name of yacht, the Distant Shore; length at load water line, 53 feet; rig cutter.

"This challenge will be absolutely unconditional."

A SPORTSMANLIKE CHALLENGE.

Chairman Smith is Glad to Hear of Mr. Rose's Cable.

New York, Sept. 23.—When a representative of the Associated Press showed the cable message to ex-commodore James E. D. Smith, chairman of the American cup committee, the veteran yachtsman read the news eagerly and said: "This, indeed, is a very sportsmanlike challenge and I am very glad to hear it. Of course our committee has nothing to do with it, but when the direct challenge arrives, I have no doubt that a special meeting of the New York yacht club will be called and a new cup committee appointed."

"In his preliminary cable Mr. Rose said that he begged to challenge for the America's cup next year, the race to be sailed on conditions satisfactory to the cup committee. In the cablegram you have just shown me, Mr. Rose bears out his previous cablegram and leaves the conditions absolutely in the hands of any cup committee that may be appointed. Whether I shall be a member of that committee, or not, I can now positively state that the fairest conditions will be adopted. This is good news indeed for American yachtsmen and in my opinion it will not be necessary for us to build another cup defender in order to beat the 'Distant Shore.'"

RECEIVER FOR "TIMES."

The Democratic Kansas City Paper Placed in Receiver's Hands.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 23.—The Kansas City Times Publishing company was Saturday placed in the hands of Wiley O. Cox, a local banker, as receiver. The appointment was made upon the application of the Remington Paper company of Watertown, N. Y., to which the Times owed \$35,000.

Mr. Wiley O. McDonald has been publisher and editor of the Times since Dr. Morrison Munford stepped out about three years ago.

The Times has been running recently at a loss of \$250 a month. For the last six months the monthly income has been \$11,730 and the running expenses \$12,900. It is said there is likely to be a general shaking up of the working force of the Times, but it is known that many of the old employees, including Managing Editor Philip S. are to be retained. The paper will continue to be styled Democratic.

Wiley O. Cox filed a bond for \$35,000 in the circuit court, money which was approved by Judge Silver.

The trial balance sheet of the books of the Times company, made May 1st, shows that the business was run at a loss of \$45,836 from the time the books were balanced before.

SHARP WORDS FOR ROME.

The Post-Swinburne Condemns the Methods of the Catholic Church.

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.—The Chicago Methodist ministers who have undertaken to secure through the pope greater religious freedom for the Protestants in Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia, have in response to circular letters received encouragement from Justin McCarthy, Algonquin Charles Swinburne and the historian, W. E. H. Lecky. The letters are as follows:

THE PINKS, POTNEY HILL,

LONDON, S. W.

Dear Sir,—I am no less honored than gratified by your expressed wish for my opinion on so grave a question as that which you ask, and can only say it seems to me a waste of time to apply directly or indirectly to the cardinal or pope for any relaxation or modification of the most monstrous claims ever put forward by the church. Force and force alone could obtain even a show of justice, decency, or fair play from the ministers and agents of a religion which has never yielded one jot of its atrocious prerogatives except under sheer compulsion of absolute necessity. Yours most sincerely,

ALGERNON CHARLES SWINBURNE.

WILL CAUSE SICKNESS.

Yesterday's Sudden Change in Temperature Caught Many Unprepared.

Yesterday's sudden and remarkable drop in temperature is expected to cause considerable sickness, as many people were thinly clothed when the storm came up.

The drop in the mercury was 30 degrees from 9 o'clock to 2:30, and the velocity of the wind 4 miles per hour.

Dr. Mitchell thought that the change would be bad for rheumatic people, and the rainfall made it worse for diphtheria patients.

Dr. Mann had no cases of sickness reported from the storm as yet, but he was sure such a sudden change must result in long trouble or severe colds for those exposed.

Dr. Hibben reported one bad case of rheumatism—a man who awoke in the rain in the Wilson funeral procession, and thought there would be many.

Robbed of \$200 at Wichita.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 23.—A special to the Star from Wichita says: M. H. Wilson, a horseman of South Dakota, who has a string of racers here, was robbed of \$200 last night by two companions who were showing him the sights.